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LETTER DATED 28 MAY 1997 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of the following:

1. On 3 May 1997, at 2000 hours, the Kuwaiti party fired 4 shells in the direction of Iraqi territory.

2. On 14 May 1997, at 0530 hours, the Kuwaiti party fired 10 times, using GC-type weapons, in the direction of the Iraqi residential quarter in Ta'mim.

I request you to intercede with Kuwait in order to put an end to these provocative practices, which the Kuwaiti authorities have frequently been engaging in for some time now and which are directed against the Iraqi civilian population, in violation of the Charter of the United Nations, the rules of international law and the provisions relating to no-man's land. Furthermore, I should like to reaffirm the right of the Republic of Iraq to seek reparations for the damage suffered by its people as a result of these acts of aggression.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
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